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Proposal 13 comments

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I oppose Proposal 13 which seeks authority to restrict fruit shipped to market destinations.

Let consumers have freedom of choice. The government should not tell us what we can buy. As long as fruit is healthy, mature, and nutritious, the government should not restrict

Restricting choice can only mean higher prices for consumers. The poor will be harmed most by such restrictions.

It would be illegal for any other industry to dictate transactions between willing buyers and sellers, so USDA should not allow that authority in the fruit industry.